



How to form a Complete Count Committee

Every 10 years, as mandated by the U.S. Constitution, our nation conducts a census — an effort to count every person living in the United States. This multibillion-dollar operation requires years of planning and more than a half million temporary workers.

The key to this endeavor is having every household fill out and mail back a completed census form. Participation is critical, as the results determine how Congress is apportioned and how more than \$400 billion in federal funds are distributed annually to state, local and tribal areas.

To help ensure that everyone is counted is to form Complete Count Committees in communities, municipalities, cities, counties, states and local governments across the country.

Complete Count Committees are volunteer teams consisting of community leaders, faith-based groups, schools, businesses, media outlets and others appointed by elected officials and work together to make sure entire communities are counted.

Complete Count Committees can start now to create awareness within their communities about the upcoming 2010 Census by completing a Partnership Agreement Form.

- Donate space for testing and training temporary census workers,
- Publicize recruiting efforts,
- Obtain endorsements from local leaders, or
- Conduct census rallies or parades, media luncheons, and interfaith breakfasts and weekend events as we get closer to Census Day.

Governor Strickland established the Ohio Complete Count Committee on April 9, 2009 and appointed Treasurer of State Kevin L. Boyce to serve as chair. Sub-committee meetings are taking place monthly. More information can be found at www.census.ohio.gov.

Census Bureau Team Leaders

Questions relating to the 2010 Census, Complete Count Committees, or becoming a Partner of the Census Bureau should be directed toward the Census Bureau Team Leader within your area. Staff can provide you with training materials, timelines, suggested activities, and a Complete Count Committee handbook to make your committee a success.

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